Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—The need for the project is recognised, but it is unremunerative.

Mr. Mummadi H. C. VEERABHADRAPPA.—What contribution should the raiyats pay to enable the Government to take up the project?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—That has not been calculated. It may be about Rs. 250 per acre.

Mr. Mummadi H. C. VEERABHADRAPPA.—If the people should agree to pay enhanced contribution which the Government might ask, would they take up the project?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—We may consider it.

Mr. B. L. BYANNA.—As the Government are aware of the difficulties of the raiyats, do they not consider it expedient to take up the project though the return is not very high?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—Government have their own difficulties in the way of accepting that suggestion.

Mr. K. L. NANJAPPA NADIG.—Government have just floated a new loan. Why not they utilise a portion of it for this project?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—It will result in loss to Government. They will have to pay interest at the rate of 3½ per cent whereas the return from this project will be only 2 per cent.

Mr. B. CHAMIAH.—When was the estimate for this project prepared?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—Eight or ten years ago.

Mr. G. KANCHAPPA.—If 3 per cent return would satisfy Government, the raiyats would be prepared to enhance their contribution to that extent. Will the Government take up the project under such conditions?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—The suggestion will be considered.

Tanks and their Atchkats.

Q.—25. Mr. K. P. CHENNABASAVIAH (Sira Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether representations are brought to their notice frequently that the *atchkats* under tanks are generally more than the normal capacity of the tanks, resulting in poor yield and causing loss to the *atchkatdars*;

(*b*) if so, what are the arrangements made to improve the economic condition of the raiyats;

(*c*) has the number of such tanks in the State been determined?

A.—The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Diwan Bahadur N. N. Ayyangar).—

(*a*) Yes. Cases of such tanks are now and then brought to notice.

(*b*) Suitable relief is being given as far as possible, depending on the merits of each case.

(*c*) The answer is in the negative.

Mr. K. P. CHENNABASAVIAH.—With reference to answer to sub-section (*a*), is not a list maintained in each district showing the number of tanks and their *atchkats*?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—There is a list.

Mr. K. P. CHENNABASAVIAH.—Will not the Revenue Department consult the Engineering Department before increasing the *atchkat* under any tank?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—Yes, they do.

Mr. K. P. CHENNABASAVIAH.—Has it come to the notice of Government that under certain tanks the *atchkat* is several times more than the capacity of the tanks would warrant?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—No.

Mr. K. P. CHENNABASAVIAH.—If such cases are brought to notice, will Government examine them and give relief to the raiyats?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—Each case will be considered on its merits.

Mr. K. P. CHENNABASAVIAH.—With reference to answer to sub-section (*b*), what exactly are the items of relief given to the raiyats?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—Conversion of wet lands into dry and increased supply of water to lands by restoring tanks, raising the waste-weirs, etc.

Mr. H. M. CHENNABASAPPA.—Is it not necessary that the *atchkats* should be re-fixed with reference to the present capacity of each tank?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—In no case

will the capacity of a tank be a constant factor. The best course would be for the raiyats to make a more economical use of water than they are making at present.

Civil Service Examination.

Q.—26. Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA (Belur Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) what is the probable expenditure for holding the Mysore Civil Service Examination;

(*b*) why was this discontinued for the past three or four years;

(*c*) what necessity is there for holding it during this year;

(*d*) are there any Non-Brahmins who have taken 1st and 2nd rank in the said examination ever since its inception? If so, their names may kindly be intimated.

A.—The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT (Mr. A. V. Ramanathan).—

(*a*) A provision of Rs. 18,000 has been made in the Budget of 1936-37 for meeting the expenditure on this account. The actual amount will vary with the number of candidates that sit for the examination and the total number of papers that may have to be set.

As against this, the receipts on account of fees paid by the candidates have to be set off.

(*b*) On account of retrenchments in the number of gazetted posts effected as a measure of economy, no need for direct recruitment of fresh candidates was felt for some years.

(*c*) The vacancies expected to occur in the course of the next two years permit of direct recruitment of Probationary Assistant Commissioners now.

(*d*) Yes.

Mr. K. Chandy ... I in 1894
Mr. K. Matthan ... II in 1897

There are a few others who entered the service through direct recruitment though they did not obtain first and second rank.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—With reference to the answer to (*a*), have the Government provided Rs. 18,000 for the Civil Service Examination bacause they expect a surplus budget?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Surplus budget has nothing to do with this provision. This is the amount provided for expenditure in connection with the examination.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—With reference to answer to (*b*), have not Government made direct recruitments to the Assistant Commissioners' cadre, during the last three or four years?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Two Probationary Assistant Commissioners have been appointed.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Will the Government be pleased to state how many places are expected to fall vacant within the next two or three years?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—About 10.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Were not some Amildars promoted as Assistant Commissioners during the past two or three years?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Yes.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Are they not up to mark and discharging their duties satisfactorily?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—That cannot be stated by way of answer to a supplementary question.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—How many examinations have been held in the past?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—About 13. This is the 14th examination.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—How is it that in all these 13 examinations only 2 or 3 Non-Brahmins were considered fit to get ranks?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—That is a question which the examiners alone can answer.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Who were the examiners?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—There have been different sets of them.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Are they Mysoreans or outsiders?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Examiners include both local persons and outsiders, though in the past, *i.e.*, before the Mysore University was started, outsiders were more.